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In re Patent Application of)	MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Eugenie CHARRIERE et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1711
Application No.: 09/673,951)	Examiner: Rabon A. Sergeant
Filed: October 24, 2000)	Confirmation No.: 8720
For: METHOD FOR PREPARING LOW)	
VISCOSITY TRICONDENSATE)	
POLYFUNCTIONAL ISOCYANATES)	

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

As requested in the Interview Summary of March 29, 2007 by Examiner Sergeant, applicants' summary of the interview is provided below.

On Tuesday, March 27, 2007, the undersigned conducted a telephonic interview with Examiner Sergeant. Examiner Sergeant was helpful in furthering the prosecution of this application. Language for Claim 26 was discussed. Applicants proposed amending Claim 26 to recite: " at least one of R₁, R₂ and R₃ comprises a true isocyanate function, said isocyanate function(s) optionally being partially or totally protected by one or more identical or different protecting groups." The Examiner indicated that the use of the term "protecting groups" would not address his concerns as to determining whether a true or blocked isocyanate function is required because the term protecting group could include other groups which do not result in the reversible formation of an isocyanate group. The Examiner and

Applicants concurred that a masked isocyanate group, as defined in the specification, is the same as a blocked isocyanate group, as used as a term of art. Applicants proposed amending Claim 26 to recite: " at least one of R_1 , R_2 and R_3 comprises a true isocyanate function or a derived isocyanate function, which derived isocyanate function is a masked isocyanate". The Examiner indicated that he felt that such an amendment would be more likely to address his concerns since it indicates that at least one of R_1 , R_2 and R_3 comprises a true or masked isocyanate function.

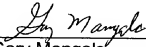
Applicants note that Claim 26 was amended to reflect such claim language in the response to the Office Action filed on March 28, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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